

Saturday, Dec. 19, 1885.

OYSTERS! OYSTERS! OYSTERS!
Parties wishing oysters for the holidays will please send in their orders as soon as possible, nothing but the best oysters sold by me.
D. H. STINE.

THE MILLER'S BOSS MOUNTAIN.
PHOTOMAN'S goods are all staple, no old stock.
Best brands of tobacco, cigars and snuff kept at the News Store.

COUNTY COURT will convene, in regular session on Monday January 4th 1886.
A fancy pocket knife given away at Miller's with each pound of tobacco.

ALL the latest novelties in toys, at Protzman's, opposite the M. E. church.
The slate to be used in roofing the railroad depot at this place arrived yesterday.

Dr. Geo. B. Morris will be in Morgantown December 17th and remain 20 days.
We are under obligations to Geo. D. Shultz, of Independence, Mo., for late western papers.

A NICE Christmas present for your smoking friend will be a box of those nice cigars at Miller's.
PHOTOMAN, the Photographer, uses St. Louis Lightning and makes photographs instantaneously.

LADIES Leggings, Sleeveless Jackets, Sateen, etc., at D. CHADWICK & Co.'s.
RING'S store, including all the stock and fixtures, is offered for sale. See notice in another column.

THERE is a considerable amount of sickness in this vicinity at present and the doctors are kept pretty busy.
You can't give a nicer present to a friend than a fine engraving or oil painting. They can be had cheap at Protzman's.

THE gentleman who took the overcoat from the Toothman house on Centennial day by mistake, restored it to its proper owner.
The gentleman who borrowed Mr. Job Swindler's coat is requested to return it at once as the owner wants it and must have it.

ANY club or schools wanting Foot Balls and books giving the rules for playing can get them by leaving their order at the News Store.
CHOICE figs, raisins, Florida oranges, candies and cranberries, just received by D. CHADWICK & Co.

D. G. R. T. T. SCOTT has authority to organize a council of the Royal Arcanum in Morgantown, W. Va., or any other points in the State.—*Genius.*

THE people of Morgantown feel confident that a locomotive will be run through their town early in 1886.—*Courier.* Now you're talking, brother.

SAME to YOU.—There is not a more entertaining exchange reaches our table than Brother J. E. Fleming's Morgantown New Dominion.
Jackson Bugle.

MR. THOS. HOGAN, of this place, had a hog butchered this week that weighed, net, 718 pounds! One ham, closely trimmed, weighed 85 pounds.—*West Virginian.*

THE road surveyors appointed at the late session of the county court are not required to work as heretofore. A complete list of them is printed in another column.

WE are requested by the committee to announce that the ladies of the Mt. Morris M. E. church will give a "Korn Festival and Oyster Supper" on Saturday evening, Dec. 26.

SALVATION OIL, the celebrated American remedy for cuts, bruises, sprains, burns, scalds, chilblains, etc., can be had of all druggists. It kills pain. Price twenty-five cents a bottle.

THE poor sufferer that has been dosing himself with so-called Troches and thereby upset his stomach without curing the troublesome cough, should take our advice and use Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and get well.

JAS. MORROW, JR., has resigned his position as one of the directors of the F. M. & P. Col. Hanway has been appointed in his stead. Otherwise Mr. Morrow sustains the same relationship to the road that he did before.

SOME novel attractions are announced for the rink this evening. Something new will be introduced each evening hereafter. The present management will make that institution more attractive than it has been for some time past.

A BROKEN LEG.—A. J. Blaney had a leg broken last Friday while working in Coleman Davis' coal bank north of town. The accident was occasioned by the caving in of the roof of the bank. We are glad to know that "Jack" is doing very well under the treatment of Dr. Fitch.

LAST week F. K. O'Kelly shipped to Hon. E. G. Brooke in Fontana, 500 lbs. of buckwheat, 1000 lbs. of corn meal, 44 gallons of apple butter, 2 bushels of hickory nuts and a box containing butter-nuts and miscellaneous articles. The freight on the goods will be something over \$80, but they will be worth the great luxuries to Mr. Brooke.

A REMON gained currency in town Wednesday evening that the B. & O. bridge spanning the Monongahela river at Johnstown had given way beneath a train, and that considerable damage had resulted. Investigation showed that the bridge had been only slightly injured by a passing train and workmen had been sent to repair the damage.—*West Virginian.*

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PLAIN ENGLISH.—This is the way a correspondent of the Greensboro Graphic sizes up a school teacher down at New Dominion. We have a graded school with 86 pupils, about 42 in the lower room, or primary department, with Miss Jennie Edington, as teacher. We hear considerable praise given Miss Edington by both pupils and parents, as to her ability as a teacher and to her management. The upper room has 44 pupils enrolled, with J. W. Woolsey as teacher. Mr. Woolsey is scholarly enough to teach but he has no governing powers—no control over his school and no authority over his pupils with a high hand, any may have them on their way home from school telling their adventures of the day and exclaiming, "Oh didn't we have a picnic to-day?" &c., &c. We fear the school in the upper room is doing little or no good.

A PLEASANT GATHERING.—On Tuesday last quite a company of relatives and friends gathered at the home of John L. Worley, Esq., Blacksville, W. Va., in commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of his birthday. Those present included R. W. Dossan, a son-in-law, and family of John L. Worley, Esq., son of Kingwood, W. Va., some more distant relatives, of this county and a number of friends and neighbors from Blacksville and vicinity. An elegant and bountiful repast was served in the way of turkey and other good things. The Squire was the recipient of some very beautiful and costly presents from his little grand-children, several very appropriate ones, from R. W. Dossan and his son William and other relatives. The Squire's numerous friends that he may live to celebrate many such occasions.—*Waynesburg Republican.*

CAUGHT AT LAST—HORSE THIEVES GATHERED IN OUT OF THE RAIN.—Last summer Abner Sine, who lives near Blacksville, this county, had two valuable horses stolen. John Pounds, of Greene county, Pa., a penitentiary bird of the big game type, and a cousin by the name of A. Foster, of Altoona, Pa., were seen riding them toward the Pennsylvania line. Somewhere on the route they managed to get their hands on two sets of harness which they used to return to their horses and their tracks at the same time. Prosecuting Att'y Houston, learning these facts, began to work up the case. Detectives were set to work and Foster was found in Pittsburgh without much trouble. He was taken to the jail, placed in tracking. Pounds, who, by the way, was considered the leader, Houston secured an old photograph of Pounds and sent it to Chief of Police Murphy, of Allegheny, who was busy chasing a horse thief. As soon as the proper requisition documents can be made out and signed by Governors Wilson and Pattison the thieves will be brought here for trial. The same parties were arrested at Pittsburgh not long since on another charge, but were released because of some technical irregularities.

A great many valuable horses have been spirited away from the upper end of this county recently and it is believed that the same parties, Foster and Pounds, are at work. Foster was made a strong warning to others similarly disposed.

"THE LITTLE PRESIDENT"—The Rev. J. R. Thompson lectured here twice last week. His first lecture was noticed in our last issue. The lecture on Wednesday evening on "An American Pilgrim at English Shrines" was a beautiful and philosophical observation on some points of interest in England, which he visited a year ago. Thursday night he lectured in Wheeling. The *Intelligencer* says: Rev. John R. Thompson, pastor of the Grace M. E. Church, Wheeling, N. Y., formerly pastor of the Chapel street M. E. Church, of this city, and later president of the West Virginia University at Morgantown, lectured last evening in his old church in this city, his subject being, "The Gospel of Dynamics." The lecture was a most interesting and well attended, and that it was with pleasure that the people availed themselves of an opportunity to again listen to him.

THE lecture was introduced by Hon. C. D. Hubbard, who truly said that no introduction was necessary, and that it was with pleasure that the people availed themselves of an opportunity to again listen to him. Mr. Thompson prefaced his lecture with a few words of kindly greeting, and begged the indulgence of his audience should he not prove as entertaining as he might, for in the morning he had driven from Morgantown to Fairmont, a distance of twenty miles, in the face of a biting wind, missed his dinner in catching a train for this point, and was therefore not in the best condition for speaking.

In appearance Mr. Thompson has changed, but little. While not so enthusiastic as of old, he is old, and has lost none of his other distinguishing characteristics. His lecture was forcible and logical. The title, while suggesting the nature of his theme, is but a slight index to the character of his exposition.

FIRE IN KINGWOOD—"THE ARGOS" OFFICE BURNED OUT.—On Monday morning, a few minutes after 9 o'clock, a fire broke out in the office of the "Argos," a small building of frame work, situated on the corner of the building occupied by the *Argos* and Mr. Terrell, the barber. A crowd soon collected, and the lower story and back might have been saved, but the fire got beyond control, and the building was soon a mass of flames. Investigation showed that the fire had been only slightly injured by a passing train and workmen had been sent to repair the damage.—*West Virginian.*

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THE F. M. & P. STEADILY COMING ALONG.—LATEST NEWS FROM THE SUB-JECT.—The Fairmont, Morgantown and New Dominion, a new feeder of the Baltimore and Ohio, is about completed and will be ready for business by the 15th of January. Some freight is already going over its rails. This road was commenced 18 months ago by the B. & O., and is now being pushed forward with all the energy of the Baltimore and Ohio. It is 254 miles long, and runs from Fairmont, W. Va., and runs down the left bank of the Monongahela river for a distance of one and a half miles, then crosses the river on a trestle bridge of great length, continuing the east bank to Morgantown, the county seat of Monongalia county. It is built as a standard-gauge road, with light grades, none of them being over 20 feet to the mile. This road will eventually connect the Fairmont and Ohio system at Uniontown, Pa. It will bring a large coal area in reach of the market. Mr. Thos. M. King, the second vice-president of the Baltimore and Ohio, is president of the new road.—*Baltimore Herald.*

The foundation for the new depot at Uniontown has been completed. It is a fine piece of work and was put up by our townsman L. N. Weaver. He built the one here, the one at Uniontown and also the one at the Falls.

MORGANTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL.—ROLL OF HONOR.—List of pupils neither absent nor tardy for pupils entering December 9th, 1885.
Division D—Misses Ella and Mattie Campbell, Teachers.
Daisy Rice, Florence Weaver, Lou Reed, Frank St. Clair, May Thompkins, Chas. Thompkins, Nellie Moreland, Harry Fleming, Blanche Dancer.

Per cent. of enrollment, 18.
Division C—Miss Dora Dorsey, Teacher.
Minnie Berkshire, Ada Wade, Ellen Dorman, Katie Watts, Mary Hays, Freda Dossan, Annie Hackney, Harry Downs, Lillie Hennen, Johnnie Hackney, Louise Huston, Johnnie Hoffman, Annie Hitchens, Andrew Kiger, Bertie McVicker, Bert Lawhead, Nellie Moreland, Lawre Murphy, Ella Thompkins, Charley Watts, 22.
Per cent. of enrollment, 46.
Division B—Miss Laura Shisler, Teacher.

Della Berkshire, Ella Wells, Alice Carrao, Ralph Downs, Lucy Chalfant, Clide Fleming, Nellie Chalfant, George Hogue, Jessie Dent, Willie Hayes, Mary Doring, Willie Madagan, Nora Joseph, Dorsey Stine, Daisy Dent, Harry Shank, Maud Rice.
Per cent. enrollment, 39.
Division A—Miss S. R. Coyle, Teacher.

Ellen Austen, Frank Dorman, Mattie Berkshire, John Hays, Lola Brown, James Hays, Olie East, Ernest Rice, Kate Hogue, Clarence St. Clair, Ida Hackney, Ray Bricker, Sallie Lawhead, Ben Doring, Emma Van Gilder, Willie St. Clair, 16.
Per cent. of enrollment, 39.
High School—Principal and Miss Olie Lawhead, Teachers.
Louie Baker, Alice Robey, Stella Berkshire, Alice Vance, Jennie Berkshire, Frank Brown, John Hays, Harry Hays, Nora Hoffman, Harry Hays, Bessie Marstella, Charley Wade, Elvira Robey.
Per cent. of enrollment, 46.
Total enrollment in all grades, 214.
Total neither absent nor tardy in all grades, 77.
Per cent. 37.
THOS. E. HOGAN, Principal.

CAMEO CUTTING UPON FENGU—A YOUNG ARTIST'S SUCCESS IN A NOVEL LINE OF WORK.—Miss Laughead, whose artistic work is described in the following article from *Johnston's Journal*, is a cousin to Miss Olie Lawhead, of Durbanham, and has several times visited here: Miss Rose Eva Laughead, of Uniontown, Fayette county, Pa., is a graduate of the Uniontown Seminary. Although but 22 years of age, this talented young lady has attracted a good deal of attention by her inimitable etchings, some of which were exhibited at the recent "Novelties" Exhibition in Philadelphia. Since etching has been revived in art, and the fashion for etchings is growing more than ordinary interest has been shown in this class of work—giving, as it does, the artist's own handiwork without the intervention of the engraver, and without the chance of being "cheapened" by an inferior multiplication by patent mechanical processes. But, while Miss Laughead gives us some remarkably fine etchings, she also produces some of a more commonplace, "cam-copied" type, upon which, Miss Laughead's process may be truly described as follows: The finished product for a picture is smooth and white on the surface, and its consistency is a little harder than cork. A slight cut into the white surface with a fine needle reveals a lower stratum of a brownish color and the color deepens until it becomes nearly black. This, then shows that any shade between white and black or dark brown may be obtained simply by gouging the depth of the cut. Mr. Lynn, of the Madison Square Theatre, and another was an excellent picture of "A Roman Lady." It may be mentioned here that it is very difficult to produce a fine etching suitable for this purpose and in proportion to the work is of so delicate a nature as to demand the very best material. Large tree fungi are selected, of the kind known botanically as polypori, and are gouged horizontally from tree trunks and stems, which are of which is an almost fast semicircle.

Miss Laughead has been engaged upon this work for two years, and as it is a natural gift with her she has been profited from the first. She is an excellent painter, and the novel process of etching is the result of her artistic instinct. The praise given to her work by the press and the public would indicate that it will become very popular, and will take its place with the work of the painter when woman is enlarging her sphere in every walk of life, so interesting an artistic innovation should be presented by a girl scarcely out of her teens. There is a vast field for woman in art, and to any direction our sisters seem disposed to take advantage of it.

FINE NAKPINS and Towels at D. CHADWICK & Co.'s.

From 25 cents to \$1 saved to persons who leave their orders at this office for any paper or published in connection with the New Dominion.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.
Mr. Joe M. Devine returned Saturday to Wheeling.
Adam Bowers family are visiting friends in Wheeling.
Mrs. Dr. Harvey Fleming and Master John are visiting in Philadelphia.
Mr. Harvey Fleming, of Wheeling, will be here next week to spend a day or two.
Mrs. Daugherty, of Fairchance, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. N. Pickenpaugh.
Miss Mattie Pridle will go to Uniontown to-morrow to spend some time visiting friends.
Miss Lillie Dietrich, of Pittsburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jacob Stine, in this place.
Miss Kate Pierce is expected here from Washington, D. C., next week to spend a short time.
Dr. B. W. Allen is able to continue his medical lectures at the University. We are glad to say.

Prof. White of the University, is home again after having some professional work in Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Banc, of Waynesburg, have been at the Wallace House for two or three days.

Mrs. M. E. Howe, of Oakland, is expected here in a day or two to spend the holidays at her old home.

Messrs. Hagans, McGrew, Fairchild and Max Ring came home by the F. M. & P. to the Little Falls last Friday.

Mrs. Dr. Triplett, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. Morris, returned last week to her home at Laurel Iron Works.

Mr. S. D. Hartman and bride, of Monongahela City, are the guests of Mr. George Hartman, of the Flats, father of the groom.

Mr. S. R. Fisher, of Laurel Point, looked in on us Saturday. He is teaching a very successful school at No. 12, Grant district.

Philip A. Lloyd, Esq., of Pittsburg, who was here attending the funeral of his father-in-law, Rev. Mr. Finney, returned home Monday.

Mr. Thomas Mapel and daughter, Miss Ida, of Pittsburg, are here. Mr. Hough's last week and attended Mr. Thompson's lectures.

Mr. Will Chadwick, of Indian Territory, will be here in a day or two and will remain several weeks with relatives and friends.

Mr. B. C. Wilson has recovered from his recent illness and is now working under medical treatment for some time. He leaves this city for her home at Fayetteville, Ark.

Miss Mattie Brock is expected home Saturday on Beaver, Pa., to spend the holidays. Misses Ettie and Allie Boyers are expected home from Pittsburg College next week.

Miss Olie Marsh sang a solo at the M. E. church on Sunday night. She was very highly complimented. Miss Marsh has a voice, which, for richness of melody, is seldom excelled.

Mrs. Samuel Sargeant, of Eldora, Iowa, who had been visiting her brother, Mr. F. E. O'Kelly, here last week for Wheeling, where she will remain for a short time and then go to her western home.

Miss Ella Fordyce came up from Smithfield last week to spend some time at home. Miss Emma is expected this week. They have been teaching at Smithfield and have been unusually successful.

Mrs. J. M. Armstrong, of French Creek; Upshur county, arrived yesterday to see her son, Mr. R. A. Armstrong, who has been seriously ill for a week, but who, we are glad to say, is beginning to improve.

THE Rev. J. R. Thompson, of this place, from 1867 to 1869. He was born at Colmaire, Mass., in 1809, and died at Morgantown, June 17, 1870.

The late Dr. Charles McLane was born in 1790 in County Tyrone, Ireland, and came to Morgantown in 1823.

The first tavern in Morgantown was kept by William Tingle, in 1796. Stephen Trimble was one of the last slaves sold in this county. He was bought by Wm. A. Hanway for \$325.

A postoffice was established here in 1794, and Peregrine Foster was the first postmaster.

"The Morgantown Circulating Library" was started about 1814, but did not thrive.

The present court house was built from 1846 to 1848. Patrick Henry was put on the ground in 1851.

The late James G. Clark, of Clarkburg, at one time kept store in the John building, corner of Main street and Maiden alley.

The Franklin House, still standing, was built by Fanciful McKee about 1790.

A frame court house was built here about 1785. Some of its timbers are to be in the Franklin House stable.

William Wagner has been in the banking business in this town ever since 1838—a period of nearly half a century. Previous to that time he held a position in Girard Bank, Philadelphia.

The first conference, over which the late Bishop Simpson presided, was held in Morgantown in 1852. He had been ordained a Bishop only a short time before.

The present Presbyterian church was dedicated November 8, 1868, and the Baptist church October 18, 1868.

Andrew Stewart, Stonewall Jackson, Philip Doddridge, John L. Dawson and James G. Blaine were born within the original limits of Monongalia county.

Zackwell Morgan, one of the first settlers of Morgantown, served under Gen. Gates at Saratoga.

In 1784 George Washington stayed all night in a house still standing on the land of O. H. Dille, Esq., about a mile and a half north of town.

John Madison was the first county surveyor of Monongalia.

On Sunday, April 29, 1826, the first steamboat came to Morgantown. It was called the *Reindeer*.

The suspension bridge cost \$30,000, and was completed on the 16th of December, 1854.

AULD LANG MYNE.
A Dive into the Days of Long Ago.
—Garrett Avenue has been macadamized.
—Dr. Morris will be here this evening and remain twenty days.
—The river and creeks were frozen over last week—shut up for repairs.
—Lieut. Wilson will make extensive repairs on his front street property.
—There is a considerable number on the sick list and the doctors are busy.
—The carriage shops of Fairchild, Lawhead & Co. have shut down for the season.
—The directors of the rink have become very galled; ladies are admitted free.
—The M. E. Sunday School is preparing to give a beautiful Christmas cantata.
—The time for planting Christmas trees is nearly here and horticulture will experience a boom.
—The senior class of the University will give a public performance in O'Neil hall next Friday evening.
—The Protestant Episcopal Sunday school is preparing to have a Christmas tree and other entertainments.
—Mr. Daniel Fordyce and family have moved to the Seminary where they will occupy rooms during the winter.
—You who were to write articles for the Centennial History, finish your documents. The book is likely to be published.
—About a dozen intoxicated young men were seen on the streets Sunday. Of course there are no intoxicants sold anywhere in town.
—Mr. Joe Miller, the tobaccoist, did a good thing Sunday evening; he persuaded the young men to go with him to church.
—The M. E. Mite Society will meet Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. J. P. Donley. The invitation is cordial and general. The meeting will be music, charades and recitations.
—Mr. Jack Evans was driving a fine bull through town the other day when it became excited and dashed through an open doorway on Main street. His Royal Nibs was rushed out of his winter quarters in a hurry.

Some pieces of household furniture belonging to John Good were sold at public auction on Court House Square on Saturday afternoon. They were cried by Wm. T. Sargeant, than whom a better auctioneer never hollered a crowd led.

The total enrollment in the Morgantown public schools is 224. The total school population of this independent district is about 320. Some of these are married, some are at work, some attend the University, some are at the Seminary and some are at the streets.

NEW BAKERY.—J. N. Madera has opened a bakery at his home on Walnut Street. He has a fine fire and is ready to supply the public with nice fresh bread, rolls, cakes, pies and everything in that line. All kinds of cake baked to order on short notice at reasonable prices. This is something many of our people have long wished for. The patronage is sufficient it will be continued. It will be very convenient for housekeepers to get their supplies in this way.

NINETY-FIVE PER CENT.—REPORT OF SCHOOL NO. 6, GRANT DISTRICT.—The following is a correct report of the school taught at No. 6, Grant district, during the year ending Dec. 8, 1885. Number of scholars enrolled: Males 21, and females 20. Number reading, 41; orthography, 41; geography, 33; history, 15; grammar, 19; arithmetic, 41; penmanship, 41. Average attendance, 95. Number of scholars present, 18. Names of those not present: Filla Arnett, Ota Arnett, Doodie Arnett, Dora Arnett, Dora Dent, Anna Straight, Lou Straight, Nellie Terrell, Lizzie Terrell, Della Terrell, Filla Arnett, Filla Arnett, Anna Arnett, C. G. Arnett, Grant Cox, Lawrence Dent, Willie Terrell and Chas. Straight. To the patrons of the Arnettville school, I wish to say that I am very thankful for your support during the past month, and cordially invite you to come in and see us.

W. E. GLASSCOCK, Teacher.

HEIN'S A HOWDY-DO.—THE EDITOR OF THE "INDEX" BECOMING BLIND.—We received from Mr. Ed. Protzman, the Morgantown photographer, last Tuesday, a cabinet size photograph of Hein's A Howdy-Do building, a course of erection in that town. The building is sufficiently far advanced toward completion to show a neat and handsome structure, and we have no doubt it will be finished and ready for occupancy in its appointments. We have been informed that the citizens of Morgantown are organized into relay parties that sit around the building in regular turns to see it grow, but if this is true Protzman's picture doesn't show it. Besides the building, the only other thing in view is Nels Hoffman, of the Post, arrayed in a plug hat and cane and wearing the air of a man who owned the earth and the fullness thereof. We are able to identify his person by the length of his nose.—*Index.*

We are not responsible for this state of things, but a sense of journalistic duty impels us to remark that it was Prof. Stewart and not Nels Hoffman. Now let things take their course.

FOR SALE.—An established business and a stock of merchandise and fixtures for sale at a bargain. A rare chance for the right man. RING'S BALTO. CLOTHING HOUSE, Morgantown, W. Va.

Pleasant Ridge Paragaphs.

PLEASANT RIDGE, Grant District, Dec. 15.—Luther McElroy, who is attending the University, was visiting his parents at Elickersville, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Minor Thompson, of Rivesville, was visiting friends in this neighborhood recently.

John H. Gray has been making some improvements on his property.

Levi Smith is erecting a dwelling house on his farm. He expects to occupy it in the Spring.

Luther Waters, who has been ill for a long time, is some better at this writing.

John Webb is roofing and repairing buildings for William and Eliza Rarb on the Ridge.

Columbus Fisher, our stock man, is taking a favor, he is getting ready to ship east the coming week.

John, little son of Haines Jones, was accidentally struck with a base ball bat at school recently, but is slowly recovering.

Luther Conway is teaching one of the boys at the Centennial Union. He has a large attendance and good order. There is also an interesting literary society in progress here.

Mr. Boyers got his foot badly mangled on the railroad the other day.

DEATHS.
ANNA.—At the residence of her father in Newburg, W. Va., on Friday, Dec. 11th, Mrs. Ella Annan, daughter of Dr. Wm. M. Dent, Mrs. Annan has been a great sufferer. The many friends of the family here will regret to hear of her death.
KIDNEY.—At her home at the Round Bottom, in this county, on Saturday, Dec. 12th, 1885, after an illness of several months, Mrs. A. B. Dent, Leroy Kiger, aged 58 years, died. The remains were buried from the Baptist church in this place on Sunday afternoon and were followed to their last resting place by a large concourse of relatives and friends.
BROOK.—At her home near Uniontown, W. Va., on the morning of December 1st, 1885, of irritation of the stomach, Mary Jane Rice, beloved wife of John T. Rice. She was born in Monongalia county, W. Va., March 29th, 1814, and was the eldest daughter of Dr. Wm. M. Dent, a Breckinridge, and became a member of the Church of Christ at Antioch when about the age of 16 years.—*West Virginian.*

FINNEY.—Morgantown has lost one of its best and purest citizens, and the Presbyterian church its pastor. Dr. S. C. Finney died at his residence in this town Wednesday evening, Dec. 9th. He was buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Friday afternoon, Dec. 11th. Prof. Reynolds, assisted by Rev. Mr. Crawford, officiated at the funeral services. The pall-bearers were: Prof. Stewart, Judge Dille, Joseph Reiner, A. L. Nye, Dr. H. B. Lazier and President Turner. Mr. Finney was born Sept. 1828, near Milton, W. Va., graduated at the University of Pennsylvania, and came to Morgantown in 1850, at Philadelphia; was installed pastor 2nd Presbyterian ch., N. Y., in 1852; was pastor in New York City, Princeton, N. J., South Rygate, N. M., Pleasant, Pa., and Morgantown, W. Va., until his death. He here April 1st, 1885; preached his last sermon Nov. 15th, 1885, from the text: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." He was an able, conscientious and successful minister of the Gospel, and one of the mildest, purest and truest that ever lived. It will be a hard matter to fill his place in the town, in the church and in the hearts of his friends.

THEBUTE OF RESPECT.

The following minute was adopted by the congregation of the Presbyterian church of Morgantown, at a meeting held December 13th, 1885: Since God in His Providence has removed from us by death, the pastor of this church, Rev. Spencer L. Finney, we solemnly feel that we should place on record an expression of our sense of loss.

Four times within a year has Death broken the little circle of our church membership, and his fifth visitation takes from our midst our beloved pastor. Bereaved and sad as we are in being deprived of his faithful ministrations, and the example of his pure, Christian life; yet we can rejoice that in death he reached the hour of his supreme triumph, and also that he has left behind him a power of a character so noble, so earnest, so Christ-like, that he will continue to yield his blessed fruitage throughout time and eternity. To his family he leaves the inheritance of a devoted, unselfish, and loving life; to the church the memory of a faithful servant and follower of Jesus, to the world the deeds of kindness and love, which it, itself, cannot know, but which will honor the name of Christ in the years to come. We glorify his life and death illustrate the words of the text of his last sermon: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saints."

To the bereaved wife and family, in this their hour of trial, we press our heartfelt sympathies, with the assurance of our prayers.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.

ON account of the misconduct of some of the students, the reading room has been closed for a few days. President Turner made a speech to the boys on Monday morning in reference to it. He said that although he did not advocate the doctrine that one boy should inform on his fellows, except in extraordinary cases, he thought this was such a case. He said he hoped the boys would organize a "Gentlemen's Association," and would suppress the mischief. He left the matter with the students. The room will remain closed, until the students tell him that they will look to the protection of its magazines and papers.

Dr. Thompson's eloquent lectures have made the boys feel more than ever, how close in the backwoods our University is, in not providing, each year, a full course of such lectures, for her students. Let those in authority look to it, that next year we have some money appropriated for this purpose.

Ex-President Thompson, in his chapel speech, "hit the nail on the head," as he always does, in his reference to President Turner's eminent qualifications for the position he holds. He said if he had been out and made expressly for the place he could not have fit it better. He concluded his eulogy on the President, by emphasizing his christian mood, telling the boys to be proud of him, proud of the University, proud of their State and proud of themselves. That this truly merited praise was responded to by the boys, was shown by the way in which they cheered, upon its conclusion.

A publishing company in New York has offered a prize of a fine set of law books to the member of our law class, who shall write and send them the best essay upon some law subject. We have been informed that the members of the class will enter the contest. This year's class is one of the most able in the history of the law department. It contains four of the alumni of the University, while the others are all men of great capacity and experience in the world.

Joe Devine visited the Parthenon literary society, Friday night and gave them a fine talk, after which he rendered, in a most creditable style, his "Shamus O'Brien."